CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, SAN DIEGO REGION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP AND CEQA SCOPING MEETING FOR AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SAN DIEGO BASIN – REGION 9, RENEWAL AND ISSUANCE OF THE WAIVERS OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

Thursday, April 5, 2007 10:00 AM Regional Board Office Hearing Room 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100 San Diego California 92123-4340

PUBLIC WORKSHOP AND CEQA SCOPING MEETING

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) will hold a combined public workshop and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) scoping meeting on an amendment to the *Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin* (9) (Basin Plan) to renew and issue waivers of waste discharge requirements (WDRs) for specific types of discharge.

Date: Thursday, April 5, 2007

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: San Diego Water Board Office – Board Room

9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100 San Diego, CA 92123-4340

San Diego Water Board members may attend this meeting. However, no voting will occur.

<u>Purpose of the Public Workshop:</u> To provide information, answer questions and receive input from the public on the proposed waivers of waste discharge requirements. Public participation is an important part of the Basin Plan amendment process and is encouraged.

<u>Purpose of the CEQA Scoping Meeting</u>: To receive comments on the scope of issues to be addressed in the environmental documents prepared for the project. Section 21083.9 of the Public Resources Code requires lead agencies to call at least one scoping meeting for projects of regional or areawide significance.

BACKGROUND

The Basin Plan currently includes waivers of WDRs and/or filing of reports of waste discharge (RoWDs) for 26 specific types of waste discharge. A waiver for a specific type of waste discharge includes conditions which must be met in order to prevent pollution and be eligible for regulation by the waiver. The existing waivers were adopted and issued by the San Diego Water Board in September 2002, and became effective January 2003. The existing waivers are valid for a period of five years and

must be renewed or allowed to expire by December 31, 2007.

In order for each existing waiver to be renewed, the conditions of the waiver must be reviewed for effectiveness and revised, as needed. New types of waste discharge may be identified for a waiver of WDRs and/or filing of RoWDs if the San Diego Water Board determines that waiving regulation is consistent with the Basin Plan and not against the public interest.

For questions regarding this notice, please contact us by:

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Please bring the forgoing to the attention of any persons who would be interested in this matter.

INFORMATION

Parking is available at the workshop location. A map with directions to the workshop may be obtained from the San Diego Water Board's website or by contacting Ms. Lori Costa at the phone number below.

The workshop room facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Costa at (858) 467-2357 at least 5 working days prior to June 8, 2006. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

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Date: March 2, 2007

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